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Hon. Commissioner for Patents Box Patent Appln Washington, D.C. 20231

Re:

Division of Application No. 09/479,862

Applicant(s): Takanori OKURA et al.

Title: GENEOMIC DNA ENCODING A POLYPEPTIDE CAPABLE OF INDUCING THE

PRODUCTION OF INTERFERON-γ

Atty's Docket: OKURA=1B

Sir:

Attached herewith is	the above	-identified	l divisional	application	for	Letters	Patent	including:

[X]	Specification (36 pages), claims (1 page), sequence listing (30 pages) and abstract (1 page)
[X]	1 Sheets Drawings (Figure 1) [X] Formal [] Informal
[X]	Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 page(s))
	[] Newly executed [X] Copy from prior application no. 08/884,324
[]	Preliminary Amendment
	[] Computer-readable Sequence Listing
[]	Supplemental Preliminary Amendment
[]	Information Disclosure Statement with references
[]	A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §1.9 and 37 CFR §1.27 (page(s))
[X]	Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, is attached, authorizing payment in the amount of \$770.00, to cover the filing fee calculated as follows (including any preliminary amendment for entry prior to calculation of the filing fee):

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FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	BASIC FEE \$ 770.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	7 - 20	= 0	x 18	
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1- 3	= 0	x 86	
[] Multiple Dependent Claim Presented + 290				
[] Reduction of 1/	/2 for Small Entity			
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[] Red	uction by 1/2 for Sma	ll Entity			
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]	[] Other Fees: Other Attachments: Return Receipt Postcard (in duplicate)
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- [X] The benefit under 35 USC §119 is claimed of the filing date of:
 Application No. 185305 in Japan on June 27, 1996. A certified copy of said priority document was filed in progenitor case 08/884,324 on October 6, 1997.
- [X] The present application is a [] Continuation [X] Division [] Continuation-in-part of prior Application No. 09/479,862.
- [X] Incorporation By Reference. The entire disclosure of parent application 09/479,862 and grandparent application 08/884,324, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied herewith, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- [] Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.63(d)(2), please delete as inventor(s) the name(s) of , who is/are not inventor(s) in the present divisional application.
- [X] The prior application was assigned to: <u>KABUSHIKI KAISHA HAYASHIBARA SEIBUTSU KAGAKU KENKYUJO</u>, 2-3, 1-chome, Shimoishii, Okayama-shi, Okayama, Japan.
- [] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
 --This is a division of copending parent application Serial No₂, nationalized , of which the international application was filed .--
- [X] Certain documents were previously cited or submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office in the following prior application 08/884,324 and 09/479,862, which are relied upon under 35 USC §120. Applicants identify these documents by attaching hereto a form PTO/SB/08A listing these documents, and request that they be considered and made of record in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(d). Per Section 1.98(d), copies of these documents need not be filed in this application.
- [X] As in the parent application <u>09/479,862</u>, please associate the present application with Customer No. 001444 and recognize only the practitioners associated therewith.
- [] A verified statement claiming small entity status is enclosed in progenitor application no., filed. Status is still proper and desired.

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- [X] The paper copy of the Sequence Listing in this application is identical to the computer-readable copy of the Sequence Listing last filed in application no. 08/884,324, except for the application number and filing date. In accordance with 37 CFR '1.821(e), please use the last-filed computer readable form filed in that application as the computer readable form for the instant application. It is understood that the Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessary change in application number and filing date for the instant application. A paper copy of the Sequence Listing is included in the originally-filed specification of the instant application (or included in a separately filed preliminary amendment for incorporation into the specification).
 [] The undersigned attorney of record hereby revokes the powers of attorney of:
- [] The undersigned attorney of record hereby appoints associate power of attorney, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith to:
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-4035:
 - [X] Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR §1.16.
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- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees, based on any paper filed during the pendency of this application or any CPA thereof, to effect any amendment, petition, or other action requested in said paper or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-4035:
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 - [] The issue fee set in 37 CFR §1.18 at or before mailing the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.311(b).
 - [X] Any filing fees under 37 CFR §1.16 for presentation of extra claims.
 - [X] If a paper is untimely filed in this or any CPA thereof by Applicant(s), the Commissioner is hereby petitioned under 37 CFR. §1.136(a) for the minimum extension of time required to make said paper timely. In the event a petition for extension of time is made under the provisions of this paragraph, the Commissioner is hereby requested to charge any fee required under 37 CFR §1.17 to Deposit Account 02-4035.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment of fees accompanying this paper to Deposit Account No. 02-4035.

Respectfully submitted,

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